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Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of United Nations peacekeeping operations

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 19 September 2003, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-eighth session the item entitled "Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations peacekeeping operations" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 8th and 29th meetings on 23 October and 18 December 2003. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/58/SR.8 and 29).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of General Assembly resolutions 55/235 and 55/236 (A/58/157 and A/58/157/Add.1).

II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.5/58/L.45

4. At the 29th meeting, on 18 December, the representative of Sweden, coordinator of the informal consultations on this item, introduced, on behalf of the Chairman, a draft resolution entitled "Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of United Nations peacekeeping operations" (A/C.5/58/L.45).

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/58/L.45 without a vote (see para. 6).

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III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

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The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 55/235 and 55/236 of 23 December 2000,

Recalling also its request to the Secretary-General in its resolution 55/235 to update the composition of the levels of contribution of Member States for peacekeeping operations described therein on a triennial basis, in conjunction with the regular budget scale of assessment reviews, in accordance with the criteria established in the resolution, and to report thereon to the Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of its resolutions 55/235 and 55/236,[1]

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General[1] and of the updated composition of levels of contribution for peacekeeping operations for the period 2004 to 2006 contained therein;[2]

2. *Endorses* the updated composition of levels of contribution for peacekeeping operations for the period 2004 to 2006 contained in the addendum to the report of the Secretary-General;[3]

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its sixty-first session on the updating of the composition of levels of contribution for peacekeeping operations for the period 2007 to 2009, in accordance with the provisions of resolution 55/235.

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[1] A/58/157 and A/58/157/Add.1.

[2] A/58/157, annex II.

[3] A/58/157/Add.1, annex.